## BEFORE THE POLICE BOARD OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO

| IN THE MATTER OF CHARGES FILED AGAINST | ) |                  |
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| POLICE OFFICER WILLIAM J. DONOVAN,     | ) | No. 14 PB 2853   |
| STAR No. 13485, DEPARTMENT OF POLICE,  | ) |                  |
| CITY OF CHICAGO,                       | ) |                  |
|  | ) | (CR No. 1059347) |
| RESPONDENT.                            | ) |                  |

## **ORDER**

On March 24, 2014, the Superintendent of Police filed with the Police Board of the City of Chicago charges against Police Officer William J. Donovan, Star No. 13485 (hereinafter referred to as "Respondent"), recommending that the Respondent be suspended from the Chicago Police Department for a period of sixty (60) days for violating several Rules of Conduct.

On June 17, 2014, the Superintendent moved to withdraw the charges against the Respondent without prejudice, stating that the parties have entered into a settlement agreement regarding this matter. The Police Board has considered the Superintendent's motion.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the Superintendent's motion is **granted**.

This disciplinary action is adopted and entered by a majority of the members of the Police Board: Demetrius E. Carney, Ghian Foreman, William F. Conlon, Michael Eaddy, Rita A. Fry, Susan L. McKeever, Elisa Rodriguez, and Rhoda D. Sweeney.

DATED AT CHICAGO, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS, THIS 21<sup>st</sup> DAY OF AUGUST, 2014.

Police Board Case No. 14 PB 2853 Police Officer William J. Donovan

Attested by:

/s/ DEMETRIUS E. CARNEY President Police Board

/s/ MAX A. CAPRONI Executive Director Police Board

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## **CHARGES**

Police Officer William J. Donovan, Star Number 13485, is charged with violating the following rules contained in Article V of the Rules and Regulations of the Chicago Police Department, which were in full force and effect on the dates of the alleged violations:

- Rule 1 Violation of any law or ordinance.
- Rule 2 Any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department.
- Rule 15 Intoxication on or off duty.
- Rule 20 Failure to submit immediately a written report that any member, including self, is under investigation by any law enforcement agency other than the Chicago Police Department.

## **SPECIFICATIONS**

- 1. Police Officer William J. Donovan, Star Number 13485, is charged with violating Rule 1, "Any violation of any law or ordinance," in one or more of the following instances:
- Count I. On or about January 4, 2013, at approximately 1450 hours, at or about 11100 South Central Avenue in Chicago Ridge, Illinois, Police Officer William J. Donovan, while off-duty, drove and/or was in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, in violation of 625 ILCS 5/11-501.
- Count II. On or about January 4, 2013, at approximately 1450 hours, at or about 11100 South Central Avenue in Chicago Ridge, Illinois, Police Officer William J. Donovan, while off-duty, drove a vehicle that got involved in a motor vehicle accident resulting in damage to a vehicle and did not remain at the scene of the accident until the requirements of 625 ILCS 5/11-403 (Duty to give information and render aid) were fulfilled, in violation of 625 ILCS 5/11-402.
- Count III. On or about January 4, 2013, at approximately 1450 hours, at or nearing the intersection of 111<sup>th</sup> Street and Central Avenue in Chicago Ridge, Illinois, Police Officer William J. Donovan, while driving a vehicle northbound on Central Avenue in Chicago Ridge, Illinois, failed to yield the right-of-way when turning left within an intersection, in violation of 625 ILCS 5/11-902.

2. Police Officer William J. Donovan, Star Number 13485, is charged with violating Rule 2, "Any action or conduct which impedes the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or brings discredit upon the Department," in one or more of the following instances:

Count I. On or about January 4, 2013, at approximately 1450 hours, at or about 11100 South Central Avenue in Chicago Ridge, Illinois, Police Officer William J. Donovan, while off-duty, drove a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, thereby impeding the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or bringing discredit upon the Department.

Count II. On or about March 20, 2013, Police Officer William J. Donovan, pled guilty to and was found guilty of leaving the scene of a motor vehicle accident in the Circuit Court of Cook County, thereby impeding the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or bringing discredit upon the Department.

Count III. On or about March 20, 2013, Police Officer William J. Donovan, pled guilty to and was found guilty of failure to yield the right-of-way required when approaching and/or entering an intersection and/or when turning left in the Circuit Court of Cook County, thereby impeding the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or bringing discredit upon the Department.

Count IV. On or about January 4, 2013, at approximately 1450 hours, at or nearing the intersection of 111<sup>th</sup> Street and Central Avenue in Chicago Ridge, Illinois, Police Officer William J. Donovan, was intoxicated, thereby impeding the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or bringing discredit upon the Department.

Count V. On or about January 4, 2013, at approximately 1506 hours, at or near the intersection of 111<sup>th</sup> Street and Central Avenue in Chicago Ridge, Illinois, Police Officer William J. Donovan was arrested by the Chicago Ridge Police Department, but failed to immediately submit a written report to the Chicago Police Department and/or failed to notify the Chicago Police Department, until on or about January 5, 2013, approximately sixteen (16) hours after his arrest, thereby impeding the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or bringing discredit upon the Department.

3. Police Officer William J. Donovan, Star Number 13485, is charged with violating Rule 15, "Intoxication on or off duty," in the following instance:

On or about January 4, 2013, at approximately 1450 hours, at or nearing the intersection of 111<sup>th</sup> Street and Central Avenue in Chicago Ridge, Illinois, Police Officer William J. Donovan, while off-duty, was intoxicated.

4. Police Officer William J. Donovan, Star Number 13485, is charged with violating Rule 20, "Failure to submit immediately a written report that any member, including self, is under investigation by any law enforcement agency other than the Chicago Police Department" in one or more of the following instances:

On or about January 4, 2013, at approximately 1506 hours, at or near the intersection of 111th Street and Central Avenue in Chicago Ridge, Illinois, Police Officer William J. Donovan, was arrested by the Chicago Ridge Police Department, but failed to immediately submit a written report to the Chicago Police Department, thereby impeding the Department's efforts to achieve its policy and goals or bringing discredit upon the Department.

Based on the foregoing charges and specifications, the Superintendent recommends that Police Officer William J. Donovan, Star Number 13485, be suspended from the Chicago Police Department for a period of sixty (60) days.

GARRY E MCCARTHY Superintendent of Police

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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Assistant Corporation Counsel

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